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FM AMEMBASSY MOGADISCIO

TO SECSTATE WASHDC 1604

INFO AMEMBASSY ADDIS ABABA

AMEMBASSY BEIRUT

AMEMBASSY KHARTOUM

AMEMBASSY NAIROBI

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E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: ETRN BEXP BIRA SO

SUBJ: CIVAIR: MCDONNELL-DOUGLAS REP'S VISIT TO SOMALIA

REF: A. STATE 020946 NOTAL; B. MOGADISCIO 0130 NOTAL

1. REF A REPORTED THAT LAWRENCE GUNDERSON, MCDONNELL-DOUGLAS COMMERCIAL SALES MANAGER, PLANS VISIT SUDAN, SOMALIA, ANGOLA, AND MOZAMBIQUE BEGINNING MARCH 1, TO ASSESS SALES POTENTIAL DC-9'S AND 10'S.

2. REF B REPORTED STATUS OF SOMALI PLANS TO UPGRADE ITS EXISTING COMMERCIAL AIRCRAFT.

3. REPS OF U.S. AIRCRAFT MANUFACTURERS GENERALLY MAKE THEIR CONTACTS DIRECT Y WITH SOMALI AIRLINES AND GSDR OFFICIALS (DIRECTOR CIVIL AVIATION, MIN OF TRANSPORT), WITHOUT EMBASSY INTERMEDIARY ROLE. WE BELIEVE THIS PROCEDURE IS CORRECT AND THAT EMBASSY DIRECT INVOLVEMENT WOULD NOT BE HELPFUL TO FIRMS. ON OTHER HAND, WE READY TO FACILITATE GUNDERSON TRIP IN ANY WAY HE DESIRES. SINCE HE MUST IN ANY CASE TRAVEL TO MOGADISCIO VIA NAIROBI OR ADDIS, HE MAY WISH TOUCH BASE WITH COMMERCIAL OFFICERS THOSE POSTS.

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4. FORESEE NO PROBLEM IN TIMING OF VISIT, BUT GUNDERSON WILL

NEED VISA AND SHOULD MAKE EARLY APPLICATION AT SOMALI EMBASSY.

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